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Hongkong.

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Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1896. [7]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$6,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS \$10,000,000

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BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 5 per Cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
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For 12 months, 6 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,

Hongkong, 8th October, 1896. [31]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 5 per
Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 5 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,—
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,

Hongkong, 1st August, 1896. [32]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

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RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS \$500,000

RESERVE FUND \$350,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 5 per cent per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 6 per cent

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
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Hongkong, 16th September, 1896. [33]

CAROLINE EU-MAVENARIUS
Used for 20 Years.
W.H.A. Utmost Success.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood
and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus
Rot and Damppress.

Sole Agents for China,
SCHEELE & CO.,
Hongkong, 15th May, 1896. [34]

Intimations.

EXPLOSION IMPOSSIBLE.

JASTRAM'S PATENT
GOLDEN MEDAL
PETROLEUM ENGINES
OF 2 TO 12 H.P.
FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.

WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.

Consumption of Petroleum 1 lb. per H.P. and Hour.

A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P.

Engine will be shown and full particulars be given on application.

SCHEELE & CO., HONGKONG,
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47 NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.

THE CLUB HOTEL,
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FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of a proved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT Experienced English matron in attendance.

The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of staying either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR-DRESSER on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

E. V. SIOHN, Manager,
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CONTRACT OF LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby
giving greatly increased Security to the Holders
of the Company's Policies.

For full Particulars and Rates,
Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1896. [46]

EMPEROR ASSURANCE CORPORATION,
LIMITED

FIRE AND MARINE.

WE have This Day been appointed
AGENTS, and are prepared to accept
RISKS at CURRENT RATE.

HOLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1896. [47]

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1894.

CAPITAL \$2,500,000

TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY \$2,420,053

NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM \$737,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above
Company we are prepared to accept
EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS
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WE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
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Hongkong, 28th May, 1896. [34]

GENERAL NOTICE.

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CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$13,133.33

EQUAL TO \$13,133.33

RESERVE FUND \$13,133.33

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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
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HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1896. [47]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1896. [47]

FOR SALE.

The Belgaia x 100 ft Iron Screw Steamer

"ANVERS."

2,386 Tons Reg. Gross, 1,995 Tons Reg. Net.

Lying in Hongkong Harbour.

For Particulars, apply to

LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.,

Agents for

CAPTAIN & OWNERS.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1896. [47]

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO MAIL REMARKS

LONDON ... New J. Chelw, R.N.R. About 16th Oct. Freight or Passage.

SYDNEY, &c. Malacca G. C. Henning, R.N.R. About 16th Oct. Freight or Passage.

JAPAN, &c. Japan T. Leigh About 17th Oct. (Passing through the Island Sea.)

SHANGHAI ... Klaesius About 17th Oct. Freight or Passage.

STRAITS AND BOMBAY ... Bridgford T. Wickenden About 21st Oct. (Calling at Colombo if sufficient Indemnity offered.)

LONDON ... Potts J. F. Jephson Noon, 2nd Oct. See Special Advertisement.

JAPAN ... Amakusa W. D. Mudie Noon, 2nd Oct. Freight or Passage.

LONDON ... Ceylon E. G. Andrews About 20th Oct. Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1896. [43]

FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMM & CO'S CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of 1 doz. flasks \$35 per case.

do 1 quart \$33 "

SHEWAN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th June, 1896. [43]

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AT H.M. HOTEL
MORNING MEALS FOR
BREAKFAST TUESDAY DINNER ALL 3 MEALS

\$1.00

1.50

2.00

2.50

3.00

4.50

SAINT RAPHAEL WINE.

A STRENGTHENING,
DIGESTIVE TONIC WINE.

Intimation.

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TAILORS,

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Have an entirely New Stock of WOOLLETS to suit the Present and Coming Season.

Consisting of—

FANCY SUITINGS, DRESS, FROCK and MORNING COAT SUITINGS, ULSTER and OVERCOATINGS, BREECHES and RIDING MATERIALS in variety.

FANCY VESTINGS, TATTERSALLS and others.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1896.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL..... Yen 12,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 5,350,000
RESERVE FUND 5,010,000

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London Banks:—
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THE PARK'S BANK, LTD. and the ALLIANCE
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Hongkong Agency:—
No. 6, PRAYA CENTRAL and ICE HOUSE
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RAFTS granted on all the Principal Places in JAPAN and CHINA, and on the Principal Commercial Centres in EUROPE, INDIA and AMERICA, and every description of Exchange Business Transacted.

NAO NABEKRA,
Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1896.

NOTICE.

UNDER the Authority of the Directors and with the Sanction of the Japanese Minister of State for Finance, I have This Day OPENED an AGENCY of the above BANK at No. 6, PRAYA CENTRAL and ICE HOUSE STREET, Victoria, Hongkong.

NAO NABEKRA,
Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1896.

Co-day's
Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525, E.C.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS HALL, Zetland Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1896.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

STEAMSHIP "OLYMPIA,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA,
KOBE, NAGASAKI AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1896.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, SHANGHAI, CHEYOO
AND NEWCHWANG.

THE Company's Steamship

"HOIHOW."

Captain Pennefather, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1896.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"DARDANUS."

Captain Gregory, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 15th instant, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1896.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG."

Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1896.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"ASLOUN."

Captain J. Murray, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 16th instant, at 5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHAW, TYRRELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1896.

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Intimation.

**A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.**

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINEs
AND
SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORt after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered, to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest Priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure COGNAC, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKEY.—All our Whiskey is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is produced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 13th September, 1896.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE L.I.I. American Ship

"WILLIAM J. ROTCH."

Captain S. Lancaster, is despatched for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1896.

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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE ZANZIBAR TROUBLE.

LONDON, October 9th.

H.M.S. *Gibraltar* has been detached from the Mediterranean Squadron for Zanzibar, where it is understood the position is regarded as serious, owing to the hostile attitude of Germany.

LORD ROSEBERY'S SUCCESSOR.

Sir William Harcourt is generally designated as Lord Rosebery's successor to the leadership of the Liberal party.

NEW CRUISERS.

The First Lord of the Admiralty has ordered four new cruisers, of 11,000 tons each, to be laid down.

RETURN OF SIR H. H. KITCHENER.

General Sir H. H. Kitchener and the leading members of his Staff have returned to Cairo.

(From *Diario de Manila*)

THE REBELLION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

MADRID, September 20th.

To-morrow the funds voted in connection with the cost of sending large reinforcements to the Philippines will be drawn from the Treasury by the military authorities.

Señor Canovas, the Prime Minister, has stated that the Government has the fullest confidence in General Blanco's ability to suppress the rebellion.

To cover a portion of the extra expenses incurred in the suppression of the rebellion a royal decree has been signed sanctioning a special tax to be levied at Manila on the exportation and importation (?) a coasee duty) on tobacco.

MADRID, September 20th.

On the 6th October more troops will leave for the Philippines.

The War Department is organizing three more battalions for service in the Philippines.

MADRID, October 9th.

Special prayers, including a requiem mass, for the eternal repose of the souls of the victims who have been massacred by the rebels in the Philippines have to-day been offered up in San Sebastian. M. R. P. F. Tomas Rodriguez, senior member of the Augustinian Order, officiated.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

MADRID, September 20th.

The British Government has sent special instructions to the Governors of Hongkong, the Straits Settlements and other British possessions to place difficulties in the way of any persons who favour the rebellion in the Philippines.

[Presumably it was in obedience to these instructions that the Governor of the Straits Settlements issued the proclamation, dated 10th September, which was published in the *Hongkong Telegraph* on the 10th September.]

JUST RECEIVED!

A SHIPMENT "WAVERLEY" BICYCLES.

Highest of all High Grades

COLLING BROS.

No. 19, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896.

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TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR IN CUBA.

MADRID, Oct. 2d.

The column led by General Hernandez had an encounter with General Macero's forces a few days ago, resulting in the defeat of the rebels, who lost ninety of their number dead on the field.

MADRID, Oct. 3d.

General Maigne's brigade has had a "brush" with the rebels, whom he defeated, killing 80 of them and wounding a large number. On our side Commander Izquierdo and Captain Cabanas were wounded. The body of the notorious Feliciano Alvarez was found among the slain when the trenches were dug for burying those who had fallen on the field of battle.

MADRID, Oct. 4d.

General Maigne's brigade has had a "brush" with the rebels, whom he defeated, killing 80 of them and wounding a large number. On our side Commander Izquierdo and Captain Cabanas were wounded. The body of the notorious Feliciano Alvarez was found among the slain when the trenches were dug for burying those who had fallen on the field of battle.

MADRID, Oct. 5d.

The steamer *Isla de Passey* has arrived from Manila. She brought the famous Dr. Rizal under a strong guard. She was at once placed in quarantine and kept there three days.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory officials report to-day as follows:—

On the 12th at 11.30 a.m.: Black Drum swerved. The typhoon seems to have continued on its original course towards N.W. yesterday, and is probably recurring near Swatow this morning. A strong N.W. gale blew at Gap Rock last night. No reports received from Swatow and Amoy this morning. The barometer has fallen in the N. part of the Formosa Channel and on the E. coast of China, and remains low and almost steady in Hongkong. In Luxon and the Gulf of Tonkin pressure has increased.

FORECAST:—Strong N.W. winds; fair N.W. gales off shore.

At noon to-day the typhoon was in the South part of the Formosa Channel.

At 4 p.m. the barometer had risen to 29.81 and was still rising.

NEW AUSTRALIAN LINER.

The *Yamashiro Maru*, the passenger boat of the Nippon Yusen Kabushiki Australian Line, left Nagasaki for this port yesterday afternoon and may be expected to arrive here on Thursday, 15th instant.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Rodpole* will winter at Hackow.

The French cruiser *Alger* has arrived at Foochow.

Up to the hour of going to press there was no news of the French mail liner *Melbourne*, due from Europe yesterday.

COFFEE-SERGEANT F. Matland has been appointed Lieutenant of the Machine Gun Company, vice Lieut. E. Osborne, resigned.

MARRIAGE.

On the 26th ult., at St. George's Church, Penang, by the Rev. L. C. Biggs, M.A., WILLIAM HUGHES PENNY, Postmaster-General, British North Borneo, to AGNES ANN, second daughter of William Fever and Mrs. Fever, of Calton Cantelo

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1896.

THE "CAMP GAZETTE."

During the past few days there has been a good deal of talk about the proposed publication of a thoroughly up-to-date military journal, to be styled the *Camp Gazette*, which would, it carefully edited and well printed on cream-laid paper, help to prevent the Volunteers encamped on Stonewall's Island from having spells of melancholia, or walking in their sleep, or doing something they ought not to do and leaving undone things they should do. Not at all a bad idea, but unfortunately, although the Volunteers have been in camp more or less ever since Friday, yet the *Camp Gazette* hasn't materialised. This is a great pity, for evidently there would have been no lack of original matter wherewith to fill its columns. And we say this advisedly, for this morning the postman brought us several covers containing matters which writers state they hoped to have published in the *Camp Gazette*, but as they don't know where it is published, who the Editor is, and whether they will ever see such a sheet in the camp, they sent their communications to us in the hope that they would be preserved from oblivion. One of the writers offers his services as "war special" at a dollar a column. As he writes a fairly legible "fist" and seems to have some regard for the rules of English grammar, combined with strong evidence of having won at least a dozen prizes at Spelling Bees, we jumped at his offer and wired to him to send in at least one column every day. Having secured the services of such a special and having ourselves a rough idea of how the "young idea" should be taught the fine art of killing human beings with the least amount of risk to one's own life, it has occurred to us that as the *Camp Gazette* has not yet made its appearance perhaps the best thing to be done under the circumstances is for the *Hongkong Telegraph* to reserve a column daily while the "camp of instruction" is in existence for matter contributed by Volunteers and military news in general. It may be added that if our military and naval friends accord us loyal support it would be possible to publish once a week at least a column of naval and military news in what would be known as the "Naval and Military" column, and thus from a small beginning in connection with the military training above referred to there might be evolved a new, useful, and very interesting feature of Far Eastern journalism. We cordially invite contributions to our "Naval and Military" column, the first publication of which will be on Saturday next, the 17th instant. But to revert to the *Camp Gazette*, as already stated several communications intended for it have reached this office, and from them we select the following:—

R. LADY VOLUNTEERS.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph." Sir.—The New Woman has within the present decade invaded many of the domains hitherto held sacred to man. To her credit, however, she is said to have not only managed to hold her own in the new field she has elected to enter, but she has been able to withstand the adverse criticism of, and to successfully compete against the sterner sex. One thing, however, has failed to attract that attention from her it was not unreasonably to expect it would have done, and that's volunteering. Perhaps her refined nature rebels from countenancing any system which tends to promote the shedding of blood of our fellow-creatures. But as the millennium is still beyond call and volunteering is a necessary evil she should make a virtue of necessity and assume her share of responsibility as a graceful token of loyalty to the Royal House and of citizenship of the Empire on which the sun never sets. Perhaps the present juncture is the most opportune time for starting an agitation in favour of the formation of a corps of Volunteers, seeing that our gallant defenders are now in camp at Stonewall's Island, where they are receiving instruction in the science of modern warfare. As it is not improbable that this communication will bear fruit, it will not, perhaps, be out of place here to draw up a set of rules for the guidance of Volunteers, should such a corps come into existence. The following may be added if required:—

x. Officers shall not exceed a ratio of 7 to 10 of the privates.

2. Uniform optional. Each Volunteer will be allowed an annual capitation grant of \$250; such sum to be devoted to the purchase of a presentable uniform, the choice of material and colour to rest with each individual member.

3. Talking in the ranks to be discouraged as much as possible.

4. The option of falling out at will should be reserved to only at rare intervals.

5. As it is desirable to allow the drill instructor a free hand, members should not promptly argue with each other when fallen in.

6. Orders should be smartly obeyed and the time limit of 33 seconds for each separate command must not be exceeded.

7. At parade, members should not stand in groups of threes and fours, as this is not keeping with sound notions of good "dressing."

8. Coopers will be provided by the Government for the purpose of holding umbrellas, capes, gloves, etc., of members, who may call for them when required.

9. Children should be kept out of the parade ground as much as possible, and mothers should not attend to more than one child at a time.

10. At target practice each lady who succeeds in hitting the target (which shall be double the size of an ordinary one) at a distance of 100 yards will receive a trophy. This inducement will well repay the tax-payer, as it is essential to have good marksmen, or rather markswomen.

If the above rules are strictly adhered to we shall doubtless possess a fine corps, which may be called upon to do good service when called upon.

I remain, Sir,
Yours &c.,
EDISON.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE FRONT.

(From our War Special.)

After a hard day's work on Friday the Corps Medical Officer put his wet car tents being used in damp weather. Actions of gulls saluted this announcement, as all had worked hard at tent

pitching. However, there was no help for it, so the party of twenty slept in a house and mounted guard over empty tents. Saturday being fine, boards were laid out to dry and from 4 to 6.30 p.m. the Volunteers (fifty-two strong) carried boards, fixed beds, and did cooks work with a will. About 9.15 p.m. the guard arrested a snake that was apparently attempting to abstract ammunition, and some three hours later another snake eluded the guard, and entering a tent, bit Gunner Bridger on the foot. The enemy was caught, killed, and bottled and the wounded man dosed with brandy and various other remedies for the rest of the night with perfect success. The Corps Colours were hoisted on Sunday, at noon, and the men drank prosperity to the Corps. The enemy appears to have been on the alert on Saturday, as, in addition to the two snakes, we hear an eight and a half inch centipede was taken while exploring the great coat of a gunner. On the whole, the Volunteers appear to be seeing creepy crawlies generally. Daily Press and China Mail "specials" just arrived by the huge trootship Preys and are hard at it gathering "copy."

THE HALL OF MYSTERIES.

On Saturday evening Professor Iscovisco gave the first of a series of entertainments at the Hall of Mystery which he has fitted up in Duddell Street. On entering we were agreeably surprised to observe the tasteful and comfortable manner in which the Hall had been arranged. Plenty of punkahs rendered the place cool, while the many electric lights gave ample light without the stifling heat usually caused by gas. On the curtain ascending, the Professor opened the entertainment by causing a quantity of strips of coloured paper, not only to disappear from a closed box, but to make their reappearance, carefully sorted according to their respective colours, in the drawers of a locked cabinet, the key of which was held by one of the spectators. He then proved his title to the possession of a "second sight" by bringing down with a pistol shot three burst cards, which he assured the audience were flying round the stage in the form of invisible butterflies. After producing flowers from rice and burnt paper, the Professor conjured up a number of cricket balls in a manner that should make him a desirable addition to our Cricket Club. An exhibition of thought-reading followed. Sigrana Felice while in a mesmeric trance writing on a slate a number which had been written on cards and burnt by two of the audience.

After an interval of ten minutes, during which the audience refreshed the inner man and Mr. Ruchwai played various selections, the curtain again descended and the Egyptian Magician, Alar Khan, commenced his cabinet illusions. The cabinet was a shallow recess at the back of the stage, lined with black, around which were several brilliant electric lights. The magician placed a couple of tables within the recess, after allowing the audience to examine them, and remarking that most performances were opened by the ringing of a bell, waved his wand and a large hand bell immediately appeared on one of the tables and commenced to ring violently, moving from one table to the other, in full sight of the audience, in a most uncanny manner, strongly reminding one of the astial bell of spiritualists. As the bell evidently had no intention of stopping its clamour, it was taken and placed on the stage, where, being removed from the charmed precincts of the cabinet, it maintained a dignified silence. A wave of the wand and one of the tables was occupied by a large white goblet; another wave and the second table was similarly occupied. These were then handed round and found to be perfectly solid and without books for the attachment of wires. After replacing the goblets on the tables, the Magician remarked that such close sympathy existed between them that any position that one was placed in would be immediately assumed by the other, and on his lifting that from the right hand table and carrying it over to the other, the goblet on the left hand table rose in the air and travelled across, in full sight of the audience, to the position lately occupied by its companion. A watch borrowed from the audience then travelled from one goblet to the other, but without being visible in transit. A pair of metal cups were then conjured up in the same manner and tea and milk were made in them from green and red paper respectively, after which they were placed on one table while a complete tea service appeared on the other at the word of command. The tea and milk being poured into their proper receptacles, the refreshing beverage was handed round and eagerly quaffed by a gallant skipper and a prominent local athlete. From enigmas made this morning we learn that no evil effects have ensued. The audience were speedily convinced that what the cabinet could not produce was not worth producing. The curious part of it all is that everything appears in a flash as though thrown on a screen by a magic lantern, with the difference that it is solid and not a reflection.

The Professor has travelled extensively in Australia, while Alar Khan is doubtless one of the mysterious Mahatmas that we read of. With the exception of the failure of the curtain, everything went off splendidly, considering the difficulty of fitting up an entirely new hall, and we can assure our readers that by visiting the Hall of Mysteries they can witness an exhibition of magic never before equalled in our Island Home.

NEWS BY THE NORTHERN PACIFIC MAIL.

The Northern Pacific Co.'s steamship Olympia, Capt. J. Truebridge, which left Tacoma on the 6th September, arrived in harbour at noon to-day. The following telegrams are taken from our Tacoma exchanges:—

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., September 1st. Charles A. Warburton, proprietor of the Evening Telegraph of this city, was found dead in his bed at the Garden Hotel, Atlantic City, this morning. He was 60 years of age. Death was due to disease of the heart.

NEW YORK, September 2nd. The R. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Mrs. Chamberlain were passengers on the *Tintoretto*. Chamberlain said he came only to visit Mr. and Mrs. Endicott, parents of his wife, at Divvers, Mass. He expects to return to England in a fortnight.

PHILADELPHIA, September 3rd. Li Heng-chang arrived from New York to-day. He was cheered by the thousands who had assembled to greet him. He visited Camp's shipyards and left for Washington this evening.

LONDON, September 3rd. Captain Hunter of the British steamship *Nemesis* from Cayenne, French Guiana, reports that Captain Albert Dreyfus, who was sentenced to be publicly degraded and confined for life in a fortress, after having been convicted by court-martial of selling plans of a French fortification to a foreign government, has escaped from the Isle de Grand Bézel.

WASHINGTON, September 4th. Acting Comptroller Coffey was today advised of the failure of the First National Bank of Helena, one of the largest in the West. The liabilities are stated to be \$3,458,000. The failure is due to the inability of the officers to realize on assets.

WASHINGTON, September 1st.

The Turkish Legation has received from the Sublime Porte the following telegram:—

The central committee of the Armenian revolutionaries of Constantinople organised on a vast scale a programme of disorders and criminal acts. Separate groups of these revolutionaries began to mislead at the same time at different points of the capital. Besides revolutionaries and desperadoes, they used bombs and dynamite. About fifty of these men entered separately into the Imperial Ottoman Bank, killing the guards and police, and throwing their heads into the streets. Availing themselves of the confusion that followed, they burst open the doors of the bank and threw bombs through the windows on the heads of the passers-by. Five Turkish ladies were cut to pieces by an explosion and two French clerks of the bank were wounded and would have been killed if Turkish soldiers had not hurried to their rescue. At the same moment the home of Djelal Bey, situated at Istanbul, was taken possession of by the revolutionaries, who threw a rain of bombs on those who happened to be in the streets near by. At Haskin the military were attacked, and one officer and many soldiers were killed. At the Pashmata-quarter another band of Armenian anarchists took possession of the public schools and began to throw bombs in all directions, killing many innocent victims. In many parts of the capital, and even in the Armenian church at Pera, a great number of dynamite bombs were discovered.

The Armenians faithful to the imperial throne are indignant, and the patriarch excommunicated in the name of Jesus Christ, all the criminals who put in jeopardy the lives of innocent men and women. The patriarch begged the Soblime Porte to communicate to the Presbytery the names of the revolutionaries, in order to stigmatise in both the civilised worlds their crimes and horrors. A special commission has been instituted to judge the revolutionaries caught in *grave delicto*, as well as all Musalmans who have been arrested under the charge of rebellion. This commission is composed of eight Christians and Musalmans under the presidency of Djelal Bey, a member of the High Court of Turkey.

CHOLERA.

SOURCE AND GROWTH OF THE DREADED PESTILENCE.

INTERNATIONAL ACTION NEEDED.

Dr. James F. Love, formerly of Philadelphia, who has been a resident of Egypt for upwards of twenty years, has written a letter to Surgeon-General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital Service, U.S.A., on the source and spread of cholera, which should receive prompt attention from sanitary and other associations interested in the study and suppression of this pestilence. Dr. Love is the surgeon of the present Khedive, and sustained the same official relation to the two previous Khedives. He has had special facilities and opportunities to study the cholera in all its phases, and what he says on this subject, therefore, will receive prompt attention from sanitary and other associations interested in the study and suppression of this pestilence. Dr. Love is the surgeon of the present Khedive, and sustained the same official relation to the two previous Khedives. 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Hongkong, 9th October, 1896. [1556]

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Hongkong, 10th October, 1896. [1573]

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Hongkong, 10th October, 1896. [1580]

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Hongkong, 7th October, 1896. [1561]

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Hongkong, 10th October, 1896. [1560]

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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1896. [1509]

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E. Warrall, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 15th October.

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Hongkong, 30th September, 1896. [1557]

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Hongkong, 6th October, 1896. [1585]

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Hongkong, 6th October, 1896. [1587]

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Hongkong, 6th October, 1896. [1571]

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Hongkong, 7th October, 1896. [1578]

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J. Barber, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 24th instant.

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Hongkong, 9th October, 1896. [1576]

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